MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

January 10, 2008

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution Retroactively

Authorizing In-Kind

Services for the Gala Dinner Of the Western Hemisphere Symposium of the Americas

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro, Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez.

County Attorney •

RAC/dcp

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

DATE:

January 10, 2008

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney

Please note any items checked.

No committee review

SUBJECT:

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)

"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing

Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget

Budget required

Statement of fiscal impact required

Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation

Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing

Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)

Approved _	Mayor	Agenda Item No.	11(A)(7)
Veto _		01-10-08	
Override _			
	RESOLUTION NO.		

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT AGENCY FOR THE NOVEMBER 15-16, 2007 GALA DINNER OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE SYMPOSIUM OF THE AMERICAS SPONSORED BY THE ASSOCIATION DES CONSEILLERS DU COMMERCE EXTERIEUR DE LA FRANCE, A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,098.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE COUNTYWIDE IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

WHEREAS, the Association Des Conseillers du Commerce Exterieur de la France, Inc. has requested in-kind services from the Miami-Dade Transit Agency for the November 15-16, 2007 Gala Dinner of the Western Hemisphere Symposium of The Americas in an amount not to exceed \$4,098.00 (see attached Fee Waiver/In-kind Service Application); and

WHEREAS, the Gala Dinner of the Western Hemisphere Symposium of the Americas will bring together high level executives from the United States, Latin America and European countries as well as foreign trade advisors, public officials, political leaders and various business sector leaders from local and French companies to discuss the potential growth and expansion of the US economic market; and

WHEREAS, Association Des Conseillers du Commerce Exterieur de la France, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization; and

WHEREAS, the Gala Dinner of the Western Hemisphere Symposium of The Americas is a special event, as that term is defined on the attached Fee Waiver/In-kind Service Application, and the fee waiver shall be funded from the Countywide In-kind Reserve Fund,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board retroactively authorizes in-kind services from the Miami-Dade Transit Agency for November 15-16, 2007 Gala Dinner of the Western Hemisphere Symposium of the Americas in an amount not to exceed \$4,098.00 to be funded from the Countywide In-kind Reserve Fund.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro, Commissioner

Jose ''Pepe'' Diaz and Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez and offered by Commissioner

, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by

Commissioner

and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as

follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman

Jose "Pepe" Diaz Carlos A. Gimenez Joe A. Martinez Dorrin D. Rolle Katy Sorenson Sen. Javier D. Souto Audrey M. Edmonson Sally A. Heyman Dennis C. Moss Natacha Seijas Rebeca Sosa

Agenda Item No. 11(A) (7) Page No. 3

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10th day of January, 2008. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:	
Deputy Clerk	

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

WR

Monica Rizo



September 24, 2007

Hon. Bruno Barreiro Chairman, Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners Miami-Dade County Commissioner – District 5 111 N.W. 1st Street, Suite 220 Miami, FL 33130

Re: The Foreign Trade Advisors of France Symposium in Miami, November 15-16, 2007

Dear Chairman Barreiro:

As you recall, during our June 16-23, 2007 Mission to France, we met with several members of the Council of French Foreign Trade Advisory Board (Corps des Conseillers du Commerce Exterieur de la France- CCEF), including its President Mr. Bruno Duriex. They will have their Western Hemisphere Symposium of the Americas here in Miami-Dade County, on November 15 and 16, 2007 (Information enclosed). This meeting will include over 250 French Trade Advisors and government officials, and, most importantly, 100 selected French companies interested in developing business operations in Florida.

As part of Miami-Dade County's support to this important event, the organizers have respectfully requested your consideration of waiving the Vizcaya Palace's rental and preparation fees for a Gala Dinner they plan to hold on Thursday, November 15, 2007. Additionally, they will require transportation for about 350 people (approximately 8 buses) for the dinner from the Miami Beach Resort and Spa Hotel to Vizcaya and from Vizcaya to the Miami Beach Resort and Spa Hotel.

We look forward to working closely with you to host this important delegation in Miami-Dade County.

Sincerely,

Cc:

Frank R. Nero

rank R. Mero

Hon. Carlos Alvarez, Mayor of Miami-Dade County

Hon. Natacha Seijas, Commissioner, Miami-Dade County

Hon. Carlos A. Gimenez, Commissioner, Miami-Dade County

Mr. George M. Burgess, Manager, Miami-Dade County

Mr. Jean-Michel Caffin, Managing Partner, Axis America and President, Florida-

Caribbean Section, French Foreign Trade Advisory Board.

Enclosures

Miami-Dade County's Official Economic Development

Partnership

80 Southwest
Eighth Street
Suite 2400
Miami,
Florida
33130
Telephone:
305.579.1323
Facsimile:
305.375.0475
www.beacon
council.com
E-mail:
fnero@beacon
council.com

Frank R. Nero
President & Chief
Executive Officer

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FEE WAIVER/IN-KIND SERVICES APPLICATION

COUNTY FEE WAIVERS OR IN-KIND SERVICES REQUESTED THROUGH THIS PROCESS ARE NOT EFFECTIVE UNTIL APPROVED BY ACTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PURSUANT TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HOME RULE CHARTER

Please complete the following form and submit completed form along with requested materials, if applicable, to:

Special Events Staff Communications Department 111 N.W. 1st Street, Suite 2510

(305) 375-2836 Phone: Fax: (305) 375-3968

Miami, FL 33128

Type of Event/	Application (se	lect one of the	following):
----------------	-----------------	-----------------	-------------

	District Event -	Event of minimal impact related to specific commission district (Complete questions 1-7, sign and date; copy will be
	Small Event -	submitted to the appropriate District Commissioner within two days of receipt of application.) Event of minimal impact not necessarily related to a specific commission district. (Complete questions 1-7, sign and
Ø	Special Event -	date.) Event with expected attendance of less than 5,000 with localized impact limited to an individual community or
		municipality (Complete questions 1-12, sign, date and submit form no later than 60 days prior to event date.)
	Major Event -	Large Event with expected attendance of over 5,000 or significant probability of protests, controversy, violence or

- 1. Full legal name of the requesting organization: ____*Conseillers du Commerce Exterieur de la France" (The Foreign Trade Advisors of France)
- 2. Applicant Status: (Select one of the choices below)

Ø	Not-For-Profit or Tax Exempt	Local Government or Public Entity
a ,	For-Profit	
	County Sponsored Event/Sponsoring Department	
	Other (specify):	

Name and contact information for single point of contact (address, phone, fax, e-mail address, etc.):

Elisabeth GAZAY EVENT COORDINATOR FOR THE "Western Hemisphere Symposium of the Americas" 2007 Ph. 305 794 1086 4570 SABAL PALM ROAD, MIAMI FL 33137 lizgazay@leadvisions.com fax +1 305 573 2393

Specify fee waiver or in-kind service requested (quantify, if applicable): see detail in 23

Name, date of event, description, and purpose of the event (if event is a fund-raiser, define the beneficiaries):

GALA DINNER OF THE "Western Hemisphere Symposium of the Americas". This symposium is organized under the patronage of Mrs Christine Lagarde, French Minister of Finance and Economy with the participation of Herve Novelli, French Minister of Foreign Trade, Pierre Vimont Ambassador of France to the United States and Bruno Durieux, President of Foreign Trade Advisors of France, Foreign Trade advisors will meet for 2 days. They will come from USA and Latin America countries. It is a very influential, century-old, official advisory body comprising of French Private sector representatives, business leaders in various economic sectors and successfully implemented around the world. They are appointed by the French Prime Minister.

The symposium will bring 300 participants, high level executives from USA, Latin America and Europe including 200 Foreign Trade Advisors and 100 executives of French Companies entering for the first time in the US market. These companies have been carefully selected and chosen for the potential of their business project. These Executives and Business owners have a plan to grow in the United States. With the Symposium, Miami will be their very first port of call in America.

In addition, many well-known American, Canadian and Latin American personalities from the economic and/or political world will also join us as quest speakers during the Symposium and/or the Gala Dinner.

Page 1 of 2 Revised: 10/8/2003

	6.	Please select	ALL that apply to event:		
7			Economic Development: Event supports vitality	or growth of the local economy	
		<u> </u>	Youth/Education: Event benefits youth of any age a	nd/or offers educational benefits	
			Health and Social Services: Event supports health-rof life within the community	elated causes and/or social programs or institutions that improve quali	ty
			Arts and Culture: Event supports music, theatre, lite	rature, art or culture	
			Environmental: Event benefits environmental conce		
			Sports and Athletics: Event supports/promotes orga	nized sports or recreational participation	
	7.	Physical add gardens / 3	lress of event venues (please specify Commission Dis 251 South Miami Avenue , Miami FL 33129 district	trict(s)):gala dinner will take place at Vizcaya Museum and 7 Commissioner Carlos GIMENEZ	
				DE COUNTY SERVICES APPLICATION	
		8 . Descrip	otion of regional or local impact. The impact will be at Importance of Miami as a central gateway between Positioning Florida as a business but for internal	many different levels en USA / Latin America / Europe ational companies that want to develop business between 3	
			continents	Motivi settipative diat waite to active p manifest weither t	
			Knowing more about Florida resources and opposed impact with presence of journalists from E Promoting Miami as a unique events / convention	Europe as well as local press	
	· 8 .	Daily/hourly	event schedule, including set-up and breakdown sched	dule (attach event calendar, if applicable): see the program attached	
	9.	Detailed descapplicable):		enues, access points, surrounding roadways and traffic flow diagrams,	if
			SEE MAP		
		ATTACHED	MANUAL PARAMETERS AND ASSESSMENT OF THE PARAMETERS AND ASSESSMENT		
			mber of participants and estimated attendance (per da		
	11.		oudget, including total event budget, tota ent of resources (attach additional pages	I budget of host organization, if applicable, and total as needed	
12.	The	e event is curr	ently priced at \$17,788.75 for 350 people as follow	s:	
		a.	Base Fee	\$7,500.00	
		b.	Additional Guests over 125 @ \$25/Guest	\$5,625.00	
	•	C.	Tax	\$ 918.75 <i>*</i>	
		d.	Rental of 33 x 180 Tent	\$3,745.00	
			Total	\$17,788.75	
	l he	ereby certify the	at all the statements made in this application are true a	ind correct.	
	E . 0	GAZAY			
	Sig	nature of Autho	orized Representative		
	Oct	tober 4, 2007			
	Dat	e			
		ń		. '	
				•	

Page 2 of 2 Revised: 10/8/2003

8

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE DISTRICT DIRECTOR P. O. BOX 2508 CINCINNATI, OH 45201

Date: DEC 1 8 1996)

ASSOCIATION DES CONSEILLERS DU COMMERCE EXTERIEUR DE LA FRANCE C/O GEC ALSTHOM 330 BISCAYNE BLVD STE 802 MIAMI, FL 33132 Employer Identification Number: 31-1478503

DLN:

17053275190006 Contact Person:

D. A. DOWNING

Contact Telephone Number:

(513) 684-3957

Internal Revenue Code
Section 501(c)(6)
Accounting Period Ending:
October 31
Form 990 Required:
Yes
Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in the section indicated above.

Unless specifically excepted, you are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) for each employee to whom you pay \$100 or more during a calendar year. And, unless excepted, you are also liable for tax under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act for each employee to whom you pay \$50 or more during a calendar quarter if, during the current or preceding calendar year, you had one or more employees at any time in each of 20 calendar weeks or you paid wages of \$1,500 or more in any calendar quarter. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other Federal taxes, please address them to this office.

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status. In the case of an amendment to your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

In the heading of this letter we have indicated whether you must file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. If Yes is indicated, you are required to file Form 990 only if your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. However, if you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, please file the return even if you do not exceed the gross receipts test. If you are not required to file, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$10 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for

Letter 948 (DO/CG)

ASSOCIATION DES CONSEILLERS DU

the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$5,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete, so please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file Federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

District Director

Letter 948 (DO/CG)



SYMPOSIUM OF THE AMERICAS

Miami, November 15 & 16, 2007

Organized by The Foreign Trade Advisors of France

with the support of la Direction générale du Trésor et de la Politique économique (DGTPE)





MINIATERE DE L'ÉCONONIE DES PINANCES ET DE L'EMPLOT



with the support of Mrs. Christine LAGARDE Minister of Finance, Economy and Employment of France

> in presence of Mr. Hervé NOVELLI Minister of Foreign Trade of France and Mr. Pierre VIMONT **Ambassador of France to the United States**

With the participation of:

- Bruno Durieux, former Minister of Foreign Trade, President of the Foreign Trade Advisors of France
- André Ferrand, Vice-President of the National Foreign Trade Advisors of France executive Committee and Senator of the French living abroad
- Jean-Christophe Donnellier, International relations Director at DGTPE, MINEFE.
- David Appla, Minister Counselor for French economic Affairs in the U.S, Chief of French Trade Offices in the U.S
- Florence Jeanblanc-Risler, Minister Counselor for French Economic Affairs in Canada, Chief of French Trade Offices in Canada
- Patrick Berger, Financial Advisor for Central America, Andinian and Caribbean
- Hervé Le Roy, Chief of French Economic Affairs in Brazil
- Michel Plangue, Chief of French Economic Affairs in the South Region

And many prestigious speakers, from the economical and political world from North and Latin America. Pending confirmations:

Luiz OLAVO BAPTISTA, only Latin-American judge to participate in the WTO tribunal, Jorge de PAULA COSTA ÁVILA, President of National Institute of Industrial Property in Brazil, Luiz AWAZU PEREIRA da SILVA, Secretary of Foreign Affairs at the Brazilian Ministry of Finances, Alberto Aleman ZUBIETA, Member of the Board of Panama Canal

The Foreign Trade Advisors of France THANK OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS FOR THIS 2007 SYMPOSIUM OF THE AMERICAS





GreenbergTraurig















PROGRAM

NB/ preliminary Program as of 15/10/2007

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 15th, 2007



8.30 Registration, Welcome Breakfast Welcome address: 10.00 Paul BENSABAT, President North East US section of Foreign Trade Advisors of PIERRE THOMÉ, President of Latin American & Caribbean commission of Foreign Trade Advisors of France 10.10 Opening remarks: Bruno DURIEUX, former Minister of Foreign Trade, President of the Foreign Trade Advisors of France 10.25 Hervé NOVELLI, Minister of Foreign Trade of France Luis Alberto MORENO, President Inter-American Development Bank 11.00 11.30 Panel 1: The US situation Political and economic overview The French presence in the American Continent 4 panelists 12.30 Lunch Regina K. VARGO, Former Assistant US Trade Representative in charge of the Americas 14.00 Global Trade Practice Group, Greenberg Traurig Panel 2: 14.30 WTO and Regional agreements. Latin American economic union: Dream or reality? Impact on our businesses, standards' harmonization 4 panelists 15.30 ALAIN CHAILLE, CEO of FEDEX EUROPE:

Globalization of businesses

Coffee Break

16.00

16.30	Panel 3:
	French companies' inception strategies in the Americas: Local partnerships vs acquisitions vs independents implementations
	4 panelists
17.30	Foreign Trade Advisors of France internal meeting : Discussion with Bruno Durieux
	This meeting is a closed session reserved to the Foreign Trade Advisors of France
18.30	End of the first day of conference
19.00	Departure from the Miami Beach Resort and Spa Hotel to Vizcaya Museum and Gardens
19.30	Cocktail and gala dinner at Vizcaya
	(Cocktail/business attire)
	Guest speaker: Carlos M. GUTIERREZ (TBC), US Secretary of Commerce

23.30

Return to the hotel



12.40

Lunch





8.00	Breakfast
9.00	Welcome address: Jean-Michel CAFFIN, President Florida section of Foreign Trade Advisors of France Alain LELLOUCHE, President Canadian section of Foreign Trade Advisors of France
9 :10	Mr. Pierre VIMONT, Ambassador of France to the United States
9.35	Charlie CRIST, Governor of Florida (TBC)
10.00	Panel 4:
	The evolution of competition in the American Markets: Opportunities or threats for the French Companies? New emerging countries' pressure
	4 panelists
11 :00	Coffee Break
11.30	Pierre PETTIGREW, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Canada
12.00	Beacon Council Movie: Florida (TBC)
12.15	Jean-Christophe DONNELLIER, International relations Director at DGTPE, MINEFE.
	The Americas, a priority for small and medium businesses, as important as Asian markets

	Commission
14.30	Panel 5 : Biofuels/climate and sustainable development: impact on economic sectors, opportunities and threats 4 panelists
15.45	Jean-Michel BLANQUER (TBC), Dean of the Creteil Academy, President Latin American Scientific Group
	Creation of the Institute of the Americas in Paris
16.15	Coffee Break
16.45	Panel 6: Competitiveness and Innovation: Intellectual property protection, technology transfer 4 panelists
18.00	Closing Remarks Bruno DURIEUX, former Minister of Foreign Trade, President of the Foreign Trade Advisors of France
18.30	End of the Conference
19.15	Departure from the hotel to the French Consul's Residence
20.00	Reception by the French General Consul Philippe VINOGRADOFF Cocktail-Dinner

Jeb BUSH, former Governor of Florida and chairman of the Interamerican Ethanol

14.00

Break out sessions will be organized for the Small Companies that are participating to the program "Cap Export, being successful entering the American Market".

These companies, who are entering for the first time the US market, will accompany the Minister of Foreign Trade. They have been carefully selected and chosen for the strong potential of their business projects, their motivation and their ability to penetrate this market.



SYMPOSIUM OF THE AMERICAS







gala dinner Thursday November 15th 2007: bus transfer schedule approx. 250 people

6:45 pm DEPARTURE FROM

MIAMI BEACH RESORT & SPA 4833 Collins Avenue Miami Beach, Florida 33140

7:30 pm ARRIVAL AT

VIZCAYA MUSEUM AND GARDENS (district 7) 3251 South Miami Avenue Miami FL 33129



11:30 pm DEPARTURE FROM

VIZCAYA MUSEUM AND GARDENS (district 7) 3251 South Miami Avenue Miami FL 33129

12:00 am ARRIVAL AT

MIAMI BEACH RESORT & SPA 4833 Collins Avenue Miami Beach, Florida 33140



SYMPOSIUM OF THE AMERICAS







gala dinner Thursday November 15th 2007: description and location of the event venue

Vizcaya Museum and Gardens 3251 South Miami Avenue Miami, Florida 33129

Main Number 305-250-9133

Fax 305-285-2004



Vizcaya is located at 3251 South Miami Avenue in the north Coconut Grove area of the City of Miami, overlooking a wide expanse of Biscayne Bay. Vizcaya is conveniently located just ¼ mile off of I-95, one mile from downtown Miami, and 10 miles from south Miami Beach

Location and Directions

Vizcaya is located at 3251 South Miami Avenue in the north Coconut Grove area of the City of Miami, overlooking a wide expanse of Biscayne Bay. Vizcaya is conveniently located just ¼ mile off of I-95, one mile from downtown Miami, and 10 miles from south Miami Beach.

SEE MAP ATTACHED

From Miami Beach:

Take 836 west and exit onto I-95 south. Follow I-95 south to Exit 1A. Turn right onto South Miami Avenue. Turn left at 3rd light into Vizcaya.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE SYMPOSIUM OF THE AMERICAS "THE FOREIGN TRADE ADVISORS OF FRANCE"

November 15th 2007

GALA DINNER BUDGET

hotel-Vizcaya-hotel	6:45 pm to 12:00 am	250 p	× \$13	38	3250
fotal Transportation				**	3250
VILLAVIZCAYA				ì	i de la companya de l
Remai base ree Additional quests over 125 · 175 @ 25/Guest				27 4	/500 Flat ree L375
				ŗ (J)	919 919
Rental of 33 x 180 Tent				37	3745 Flat fee
permit fee				u)	525 Flat fee
Police				45	1500 Flat fee
lotal Vizcaya				18,564	164
CATERING	base pp grat	gratuity total pp		quantity total	
Menu	8	8	96	300 28800	00
Beverages	က	9.0	3.6		1080
Labor				106	10600
Rental equipements	35	0	35	300 105	10500
Centerpieces	70	0	20		2100 1 per table
Champagne	0		0		0 sponsor
Wine	0		0	180	0 sponsor
total Gatering				530	53080
ENTERTAINMENT					
Orchestra				22	00
Audio Visual Equipment				22	00
Stage				47	200
total Entertainment				8	8
TOTAL BUDGET GALA DINNER				84393.75	75
total sponsoring requested to Miami Dade County	inty			19,789	68





Date:

January 10, 2008

To:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From:

George M. Burgess

County Manager

Subject:

Countywide In-Kind Request Recommendation

The Office of Strategic Business Management (OSBM) has reviewed the attached in-kind request and recommends for the item to move forward to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration. The countywide in-kind reserve balance allows for the funding of this request.

Background

A retroactive waiver for in-kind services has been requested by a not-for-profit organization the Association Des Conseillers du Commerce Exterieur de la France scheduled for the Gala Dinner of the Western Hemisphere Symposium of the Americas held on November 15-16, 2007.

In-kind services have been requested in an amount not to exceed \$4,098 from the Miami-Dade Transit Agency for transportation services. This event will be funded from the countywide in-kind reserve fund.

In addition, Association Des Conseillers du Commerce Exterieur de la France requested an in-kind fee waiver for the use of Vizcaya Museum and Gardens for \$16,870 for the same event.

In FY 2007-08, the Association Des Conseillers du Commerce Exterieur de la France has received no County funding for this event.

Inkind1208